

The FCC should not mandate any technological copy prevention mechanism in HDTV decoder hardware or any other related devices.

Existing copyright law makes unauthorized copying illegal, and these laws should be enforce. However, the US Constitution clearly establishes that copyright is FOR A LIMITED TIME. The purpose of copyright is to enrich the PUBLIC DOMAIN by allowing a LIMITED restriction on distribution.

Technological copy prevention mechanisms DEFEAT THE CONSTITUTIONAL PURPOSE of copyright.

Enforcement OF CURRENT LAW is appropriate. New regulation THAT INTERFERES WITH FAIR USE is not. No technological mechanism that disregards the limited duration of copyright is constitutionally acceptable.